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THIRD SUPPLEMENTAL RESPONSE

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Further to the response filed on August 4, 1995, please amend the present application as follows:

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IN THE CLAIMS:

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solution containing a nucleic acid by treating a starting solution containing the nucleic acid by the use of suspended magnetically attractable beads which do not specifically bind the nucleic acid, comprising the steps of:

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